WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

ORDER NO. 2289

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served December 7, 1981

Application of ARROWHEAD BUS AND) Case No. AP-81-27
LIMOUSINE EQUIPMENT, INC., for a)
Certificate of Public Convenience)
and Necessity to Conduct Charter)
and Special Operations Between)
Points in the Metropolitan District)

By application tendered for filing on November 12, 1981, as supplemented and accepted for filing on November 20, 1981, Arrowhead Bus and Limousine Equipment, Inc. (ABLE), seeks a certificate of public convenience and necessity to transport passengers, mail, express and baggage in the same vehicle with passengers, in charter and special operations, between points in the Metropolitan District (except points solely within the Commonwealth of Virginia), restricted to the performance of such transportation in school bus equipment.

ABLE operates 17 school buses, two vans and a seven-passenger "touring vehicle". It proposes an hourly charter rate of \$25 with a three-hour minimum. For transfer service, however, the following rates would apply:

One-way	\$ 50
Round-trip	100
Washington National Airport	60
Dulles International Airport	80

Waiting time for transfers at the point of transfer pickup would be billed at the rate of \$12.50 per half hour. For special operations, ABLE proposes the following:

SPECIAL OPERATIONS: The per capita charge for special operations service shall be as follows:

Zone	Area	One-Way	Round-Trip
1	Between two points within the District of Columbia	\$1.50	\$3.00
2	Between two points inside the Capital Beltway but beyond the District of Columbia	2.00	4.00
3 .	Between two points beyond the Capital Beltway	2.50	5.00

The tariff also specifies regulations concerning multiple zones, a 50-cent per passenger charge for extra stops, charges for non-transportation services, and reserves the right to cancel any special operations trip where 40 seats are not sold.

ABLE's unaudited balance sheet, dated August 31, 1980, shows current assets of \$21,054, total assets of \$232,098, current liabilities of \$82,341 and a negative equity of (\$18,699). The unaudited income statement for ABLE's fiscal year ended August 31, 1980, reflects income (net of refunds) of \$526,436, operating expenses */ of \$220,326 for a pre-income-tax profit of \$10,413.

Pursuant to Title II, Article XII, Section 4(b) of the Compact, this matter must be set for a public hearing. At said hearing ABLE will be expected to establish that it is fit, willing and able properly to provide the proposed service and to conform to the provisions of the Compact and the rules, regulations and orders of the Commission thereunder. In addition, applicant must establish that the proposed service is required by the public convenience and necessity.

ABLE will be assessed an amount preliminarily estimated to cover the expenses which Title II, Article XII, Section 19 of the Compact require an applicant to bear, and will be directed to file certain supplemental materials.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

1. That the above-entitled proceeding is hereby scheduled for public hearing to commence at 9:30 a.m., Wednesday, February 3, 1982,

^{*/} The "schedule" on which such expenses were presumably detailed was not provided. In any event, the filing of more current financial data will be directed.

in the Hearing Room of the Commission, Room 314, 1625 I Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20006.

- 2. That applicant publish once in a newspaper of general circulation in the Metropolitan District notice of this application and hearing, in the form prescribed by the staff of the Commission, and post said notice continuously through the date of the hearing in each of its vehicles, no later than Friday, December 18, 1981.
- 3. That applicant produce at the public hearing affidavits of said publication and posting.
- 4. That any person desiring to protest the application shall file a protest in accordance with Commission Rule 14, or any person desiring to be heard on this matter shall notify the Commission, in writing, not later than Monday, January 18, 1982, and shall mail a copy of such protest or notification to counsel for applicant, Maxwell A. Howell, Esquire, Suite 1100, 1511 K Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20006.
- 5. That applicant is hereby assessed \$500 pursuant to Title II, Article XII, Section 19 of the Compact and directed to deliver said amount to the office of the Commission, Suite 316, 1625 I Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20006, no later than 12 noon, Wednesday, January 20, 1982.
- 6. That applicant file with the Commission six copies each of a projected annual revenue and revenue deductions operating statement and its most recent actual balance sheet and operating statement no later than 12 noon, Wednesday, January 20, 1982, serve one copy of each on each party of record as of Monday, January 20, 1982, and produce the originals at the public hearing.

FOR THE COMMISSION

WILLIAM H. McGILVERY

Executive Director

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